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SUBJECT: MOZAMBIQUE PREPARES TO HOST G-8/NEPAD-SPONSORED  
AGRICULTURAL MEETING

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1. Econ/Poloff met with Dr. Firmino Mucavele, Economic Counselor to the President, on December 21 to discuss Mozambique's preparation for the Comprehensive African Agricultural Development Plan (CAADP) regional planning meeting in Maputo on February 15-18. Dr. Mucavele is the GRM point of contact for this event. Representatives from twelve southern African nations will take part in the meeting. Mozambique has invited the national directors of agriculture ministries, farmers' organizations, agro-business representatives, agricultural and economic research institutes, and major banks involved in agri-business, as well as Southern African Development Community (SADC) officials. In addition, the GRM has extended invitations to the the following organizations: G-8 governments, the European Commission (EC), OECD, the World Bank, the African Development Bank and the World Food Program. The meeting will focus on technical implementation of CAADP in Southern Africa.

2. Dr. Mucavele can be reached at 258-1-485-480 (landline), 258-82-310-818 (cellular), and/or [mino@zebra.uem.mz](mailto:mino@zebra.uem.mz).  
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